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conference of Police chiefs of coastal Andhra districts held after the Eluru Conference and before the date when firings took place in Nellore and a few Andhra towns in December 1952; and if so, whether it is a fact that the plan about Police firings was discussed and decided at that conference?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" A Conference of the District Superintendents of Police of the Northern Range presided over by the Deputy Inspector-General of that Range, was held at Vijayavada on 7th November 1952. No plan about Police firings was discussed at that conference. It was only a routine annual conference, in no way peculiar to the Coastal Andhra districts. Such Range conferences are convened annually by the respective Deputy Inspectors-General to discuss administrative and crime matters and to exchange views."

Vemuladevi Project, Narasapuram taluk, West Godavari.

* 1180 Q.—SRI B. LAKSHMINARASA RAJU : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have completed the Vemuladevi Project in Narasapuram taluk, West Godavari district;

(b) what is the total ayacut contemplated under the scheme; and

(c) what is the present ayacut now under cultivation?

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" (a) Yes.

" (b) 598·61 acres.

" (c) 11·08 acres."

Irrigation works in Visakhapatnam and Srikakulam.

* 1181 Q.—SRI K. GOVINDA RAO : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state with reference to the Visakhapatnam and Srikakulam districts—

(a) the number of irrigation works completed;

(b) the number of works under execution; and

(c) the number of schemes awaiting sanction by the Food Production Department in 1952–53?

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" (a) 63.

" (b) 172.

" (c) 62."

Alleged starvation death in Pamarru, Gudivada taluk.

* 1182 Q.—SRI G. RAMA RAO : Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is a fact that there was a death due to starvation in Pamarru of Gudivada taluk on 3rd March 1953; and